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SPEECH PROCESSOR AND METHOD

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Sir:

Accompanying this Response, please find a Petition for Extension of Time filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 (3-month extension) along with the requisite fee.

In response to the non-final Office Action dated January 30, 2002, please reconsider the above-referenced application for Letters Patent in view of the following remarks.

Remarks

Favorable reconsideration of this application is requested in view of the following remarks. For the reasons set forth below, Applicant respectfully submits that the claimed invention is allowable over the cited references.

The Office Action indicated that: claim 28 stands rejected under Section 112(1) with regard to the Specification; claims 1-27 and 29-32 stand rejected under Section 102(b) as being anticipated by the '588 reference (U.S. Patent No. 5,568,588 to *Bialik et al.*); and claim 28 stands rejected under Section 103(a) as being unpatentable over the '588 reference.